



**Environmental Quality Advisory Board  
7447 E. Indian School Rd., Ste. 105  
Scottsdale, AZ  
Wednesday, April 21, 2004  
5:15 p.m.**

1) Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Environmental Quality Advisory Board was called to order by Chair Basinger at 5:15 p.m., noting the presence of a quorum

2) Roll Call and Approval of 2/18/04, 3/2/04 and 3/17/04 meeting minutes

Members Present: Dan Basinger, Chair  
Don Manthe, Vice Chair  
Michele Cohen (arrived at 5:47 p.m.)  
Brian Munson  
Randy Nussbaum  
Jay Spector

Members Absent: Ron Hand

City Staff Present: Larry Person  
Chuck Skidmore

On motion made by Board Member Spector, and seconded by Board Member Munson, the minutes from the 2/18/04 regular meeting were approved as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Basinger noted the following corrections to the 3/2/04 meeting minutes:

Page 2, Line 2 Change "15" to "over 50."

Page 6, attachment of Mr. Myers' letter is missing.

On motion made by Board Member Spector, and second by Vice Chair Manthe, the minutes from the March 2, 2004 meeting were approved as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Basinger also noted two corrections to the March 17, 2004 meeting minutes. Page 3, New Business, after Storm Water BMP information, add (Management Practices).

Page 4, Paragraph 2, change "BMP markers" to "drain inlet markers."

Vice Chair Manthe moved for approval of the 3/17/04 minutes as amended. Board Member Nussbaum seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, with an abstention by Board Member Munson.

Mr. Person reminded the Board Members that the minutes from each meeting would be posted on the Web site, and e-mailed to each Board Member. He encouraged the Board Members to review the minutes by referring to one of the two versions prior to the meeting

### 3) Old Business

- EnviroKidsFest '04

- Review of event

Mr. Person reported that slightly over 1200 students attended the event, together with 200 chaperones and teachers, and 100 volunteers. He stated that a debriefing session would take place on Tuesday from 9 am – 11 am, and encouraged attendance and feed back. He reported that many positive comments had been received regarding the event, as well as suggestions for improvement. Mr. Person stated that West World has been reserved for Friday, April 22, 2005 for EnviroKidsFest 05.

- EQAB Member Comments

Board Member Nussbaum distributed a copy of his memorandum critiquing the event. He asked for feedback from the Board, and noted that an assigned volunteer for each class for the day would be a major step toward improving the organization of EnviroKidsFest. Board Member Spector suggested that a briefing for volunteers prior to the event, outlining the layout and schedule for each class would be very helpful. Vice Chair Manthe concurred. Discussion ensued as to the best method for disposing of the cardboard containers and food products from the children's lunch boxes for the next KidsFest. Mr. Person outlined a scheduled composting activity for the children to participate in after lunch as a solution.

- Acknowledgments and Recognition

Chair Basinger commented that Mayor Manross and City Manager Dolan had expressed their pleasure with the event. Board Member Spector observed that the Mr. Person and city staff had done a tremendous job in organizing this first time event. Chair Basinger also commended Board Member Nussbaum for his work as chair of the steering committee.

- SolFest Southwest

- Review of event

Chair Basinger reported that the attendance was 4500 people and that the number, although lower than anticipated, was considered satisfactory for the first-time event. He noted that the event organizers were pleased with the venue, and city and sponsor support.

Mr. Person reported that the Sol Fest organizers were also pleased with the interface between KidsFest and Sol Fest. He advised the Board that discussions were ongoing regarding combining other events with Sol Fest for future years. Discussion ensued as to complimentary and competing events and the timing of the events.

- Acknowledgments and Recognition

Chairman Basinger acknowledged the support of Board Members Cohen and Nussbaum.

#### 4) New Business

- Participation in Adopt-A-Road (Cactus Rd between Loop 101 & 102<sup>nd</sup> St), Sat. Apr. 24, from: 7:30 am – 10:30 am

Chair Basinger recalled that Board Members had supported this project in the past. He noted that Mr. Person was now the only staff member in the Environmental Office, and requested help from the EQAB in order to participate in the project. Mr. Person provided the information for the Saturday event.

#### 5) Standing Committee Reports

- Green Building Report

Board Member Cohen advised the Board Members that the Green Building Committee had reviewed the plans for EnviroKidsFest and Sol Fest. She noted that Green Building Committee members introduced the speakers for the green building and solar energy workshops. She added that several of the Committee Members were speakers as well. Ms. Cohen went on to report that the LEED policy for the city was discussed at the meeting. She stressed the importance of implementing the policy, and noted that Mr. Floyd was in the process of preparing a report to Mayor and staff. She also commented that LEED certification for the South Corp Yard was of concern to her. Mr. Skidmore commented that timing dictated that a LEED presentation would be appropriate at a later date. Chair Basinger added that it was his impression that Mr. Dreska, General Manager of the Municipal Services Department was in support of LEED.

Chair Basinger added that the Remodeling Guidelines were anticipated to be completed by the end of the month. He noted that the Commercial Guidelines were moving forward as well, with several months of work remaining. Discussion ensued as to printing options. Board Member Spector suggested producing a CD and a PDF file on the web to eliminate printing costs.

Ms. Cohen reported that an article featuring the remodeling guidelines in Scottsdale Magazine had been reprinted, with green building information on the back, and that the article was available at Sol Fest. She added that information regarding the next Expo, and solar home tour was also available. Ms. Cohen advised the Board that the lecture series was ongoing. She referred to a discussion regarding mentoring at the green building retreat and noted that she had heard several comments at Sol Fest regarding the possibility of mentoring other cities.

- Water Committee task group

Vice Chair Manthe reported that a meeting with Mr. Mansfield was being scheduled. He stressed the importance of mirroring the goals of the Water Resources Department and assisting them. Mr. Person inquired as to whether the storm drain marker program would be included in the plans for the task group. Board Member Munson replied that all water quality issues would be reviewed.

Board Member Spector reiterated his offer to work with Mr. Courtney on a PSA and outreach for the storm drain program. Discussion ensued as the relationship between departments involved in water issues and how best to work with them all.

6) Updates and Reminders

- Board Member discussion of environmental topics

Chair Basinger stated that the most recent revision to the ESLO amendments had passed.

Board Member Spector expressed dismay with conversations with Solid Waste staff regarding recycling for city parks. He explained that Solid Waste cited contamination issues as a barrier to implementing recycling. Board Member Spector proposed that the EQAB recommend the use of canisters for aluminum cans at city parks and encourage Solid Waste to formulate a recycling program for the city's parks. Board Member Nussbaum referred to the conspicuous absence of recycling at city events. He proposed that the Board consider undertaking the implementation of recycling at parks or city events as a project for the next year. Board Member Cohen concurred. Discussion ensued. It was decided to agendize further discussion of this item for the next meeting.

- Next Meeting is Scheduled for 5/19/04

EnviroKidsFest and Friday Earth Day April 22, 2005

Sol Fest 23 and 24, 2005

Electronics Recycling Day May 1

Green Building Lecture May 6 Innovative Green Built Projects in Phoenix and Scottsdale.

Solar Lecture Series May 20

7) Public Comments

Mr. Person advised the Board that the city was the only municipality accepted into the EPAs National Environmental Performance Track. He stated that the city of Scottsdale had been recognized at a conference in Baltimore as one of three of 300 plus organizations as an award winner.

He stated that over all environmental performance by the city has been acknowledged on a nationwide level.

8) Adjournment

Being duly moved and seconded, the regular meeting of the Environmental Quality Advisory Board was adjourned at 6:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Swanberg